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HOUSE POINTS

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823	645	725	795

TRIP TO THE NETHERLANDS

Our year 12 and 13 students visited this week one of the main university destinations in Europe: The Netherlands. They were able to enjoy the culture and beauty of the fascinating cities of the area together with the tours of the best universities of the country.



MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL HEAD

Dear Sage College families and friends,



One of the greatest efforts we make as teachers at Sage College is to present our students with an analytical, critical thinking environment that enriches their classroom knowledge. In a world that tends to imitate and copy, our emphasis is on creativity and innovation. To do this, Sage College students must be challenged to do more than what appears in the textbook, they must want to enquire, know and learn, not because they have an exam at the end of term but because they naturally want to expand their knowledge and reach excellence.

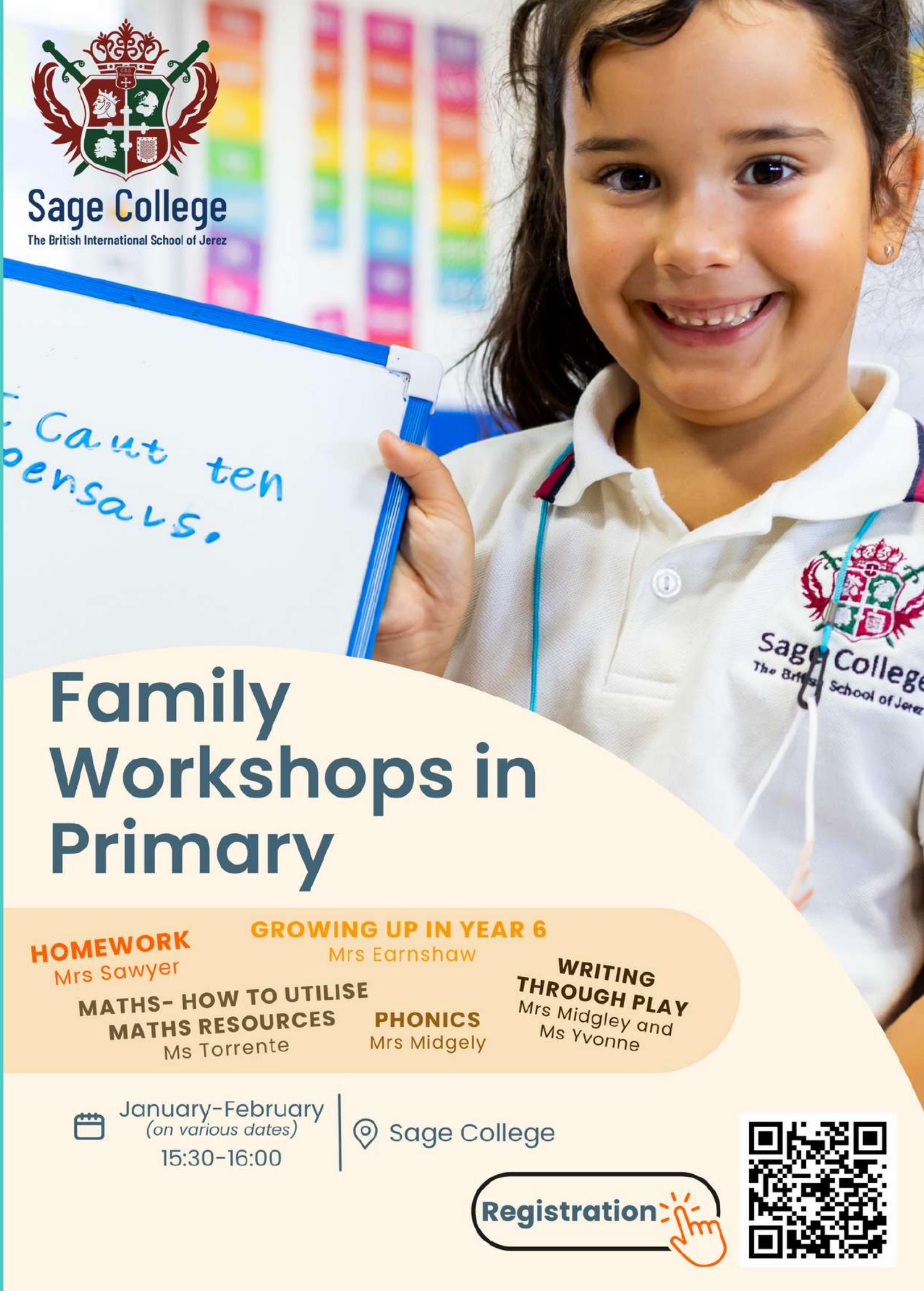
There is nothing more valuable for me, or any committed teacher, than to receive a new proposal from our students. An entrepreneurial idea, a groundbreaking design or a solution to an impossible problem. In Spain, and in the world, we need more creators, more entrepreneurs, more Da Vincis and less "tiktokers". Hopefully, and I say this knowing that it will come true one day, we will have many students who, once they have finished their time at Sage College, will become the dreamers and creators of tomorrow. We, from here, will guarantee them a space for thinking, creating and developing ideas in which they will be able to spread their wings in the millions of ways they can imagine.

Mr Wickham



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Family Workshops in Primary

HOMEWORK
Mrs Sawyer

GROWING UP IN YEAR 6
Mrs Earnshaw

**MATHS- HOW TO UTILISE
MATHS RESOURCES**
Ms Torrente

PHONICS
Mrs Midgely

**WRITING
THROUGH PLAY**
Mrs Midgley and
Ms Yvonne



January-February
(on various dates)
15:30-16:00



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Registration



-EARLY YEARS NEWS-

Discovering sounds in Phonics

Magical digraphs

This week has been a very special week in phonics for the **Busy Bees**. They have been learning about digraphs, when two letters that are best friends work together to make one unique sound. **Geraldine the Giraffe was very sad because lots of words had lost their digraph.** So, with some help from the *Busy Bees* and their magical "digraph" wand they helped the words find their lost digraph. Great work, Busy Bees!



- PRIMARY NEWS -



X-COUNTRY AT CHAPIN

SOME EXCELLENT PERFORMANCES FROM OUR RUNNERS

On Friday 27th January Students from Year 4 up to Year 10 represented Sage at the **Annual X-Country Race at Chapin**. Primary students were involved in the Sub 10 (Benjamin) and the sub 12 (Alevin) races. **Our Year 4 and 5's ran 800m and our Year 6 students ran 1000m**. Each race involved schools from the Jerez area with over 200 participants in each race.

Every Sager ran with enthusiasm and everyone in the top 50 finishers. Although we were not able to gain a medal this year, we did have many in the top 10 of each race. We have been training hard for the race with weekly runs around our lake. *'It was easier than our lake run,'* said Lia from Year 6. It was a great day and our students represented the school admirably.



Year 6,7 Boys Team : Dani, Raiyan, Gonzalo, Mac ,Reef and Miguel



Year 6,7 Girls Team : Cayetana, Lia, Martina and Celia



Year 4/ 5 Boys team: Lucas, Paco, Dani and Enrique



Year 4 , 5 Girls Team: Amelie, Martina, Jimena, Mariela



PARENTS WORKSHOPS

During the last couple of weeks Mrs Earnshaw and Ms Torrent had delivered some **Parents workshops** about "How to help your child with Maths" and " How to support your child in Year 6 and be ready for all the physical and emotional changes they are going through in this stage?"

Parents from different year groups came in to get to know more on how to help their children, **they were given tips to carry out at home.**

THINGS TO CONSIDER

Do we create at home an atmosphere where exploration and 'having a go' is seen as more important than getting it right?

Do we use opportunities to talk about maths?



Remember! Be Positive – even if you don't feel it
Ask your child to explain to you how they are doing their maths (It may be different to the way you were taught)
'TALK' to them about and involve them in everyday maths
'ASK' the teacher if you have any questions about the maths your child is doing.
HAVE FUN!!!

- MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS -

KS3 Research Project Learning for the Future

Pupils in Middle School have been working on **research projects in English**. The theme of the project is **'The Future'**, with topics ranging from the future of transport, to food, medicine, cities, and many others.

First they worked on a variety of skills, such as **note-taking and summarizing, before moving on to the research phase**. Classes each had a week of research time to learn everything they could about their chosen topic, taking neat and effective notes to help prepare them for their presentations.

At last, **presentations** began at the beginning of February, with pupils using **Google Slides or PowerPoint** to show their findings to their classmates.

Each year group had slightly different expectations, with Year 7 speaking for 2-3 minutes, Year 8 speaking for 3-4 minutes, and Year 9 speaking for 4-5 minutes.

After a couple of weeks of learning skills, researching and preparing to present, pupils in all year groups have produced truly fascinating and impressive work about an inspirational topic.



-HIGH SCHOOL NEWS-

SHAPING THE FUTURE

Trip to the Netherlands

This week, some of our Year 12 and 13 students went to the Netherlands. There they learnt more about the traditions of the country, completed special visits (in Amsterdam, The Hague, Delft and Rotterdam), had fun, and **visited the University of Amsterdam, Leiden University and TU Delft**. In this way, they also learnt more about **how to access Dutch universities** and the different advantages of studying in that country.



SAYING GOODBYE

Always together

It is always an emotional moment when we say goodbye to a member of our Sage family. Recently, **Michal Baricak, in Year 12, has left to go back to his country**. It was an absolute pleasure to have Michal with us these months. Good luck!



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